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MR. HUGHES ANSWERS.

Those Who Claimed for His Views Are Hearing Them.

Those friends of Democracy who clamored so loudly for Mr. Hughes' opinions upon current issues while he still held the high office of justice of the supreme court, are now fully answered by the private citizen, who surrendered his judicial position to accede to the wishes of a majority of the people as expressed through their instructions to their delegates to the Republican national convention.

Mr. Hughes has not disappointed those who have reposed confidence in his character and judgment. In his speech of acceptance he has clearly set forth the vital issues upon which the Republican party proposes to conduct the campaign this fall. On the platform he is telling the nation wherein the present administration has been at fault and what is necessary to be done to restore the United States to the place of respect and honor to which it is entitled in the eyes of the world.

MR. HUGHES HAS EXPLODED THE "KEPT-US-OUT-OF-WAR" ARGUMENT.

Mr. Hughes' attack upon the "kept-us-out-of-war" argument has aroused a story of enthusiasm.

"Kept us out of war?" he demands. "Why, there were nineteen men—good American soldiers, shot down at Vera Cruz, and many Mexicans were killed by our men. That was war. Moreover, it was a very ignoble war. I have heard three explanations of the Vera Cruz move.

"First, it was explained that it was made in order to compel somebody to salute the flag—somebody who had insulted us. But the flag was not saluted and has not been to this day. Then it was said that the salute was not what we sought, but to prevent the landing of a boatload of ammunition intended for Huerta. The ammunition, landed, however, and it has been shown that it reached Huerta in due season without interference on our part.

"When that reason was shown to be untenable, a third one—and possibly the real one—finally was advanced. It was said that our seizure of Vera Cruz was a move to compel the retirement of Huerta. It seems possible that this is true, although we had promised the Mexicans that we would not interfere in their affairs and told them more than once that we wanted them to handle their own affairs.

"That is why the Mexicans could not understand us and that is why they show little faith in our promises."

MANANA

Manana, which is Mexican for "watchful waiting," is the Democratic keynote in the campaign. The Wilson drive is to begin "sometime" after September 1; but no definite engagements have been made. It is announced, for him to commence making political speeches. He has tentative engagements to make some Western visits about the middle of September but nothing positive. Plans are being formulated for carrying on a campaign to capture the woman vote of the country, but who will make the speeches on this phase of the controversy has not been determined. It had been expected that Mr. Bryan would speak in the Maine campaign, but it is now believed he cannot do so, but will make some speeches later. And so it goes. Watchful waiting will prevail while, in the meantime, Mr. Hughes is carrying on a positive campaign and arousing the entire Western country.

WILSON'S POLICIES BLOWN UP.

Charles Evans Hughes did have explosives with him when his motor car was searched by a Canadian soldier, but they were under the candidate's hat. Mr. Hughes will set them off on his Western tour and some of Mr. Wilson's policies will be blown up.—New York Sun.



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WOMEN SHOULD BE FOR CHARLES E. HUGHES, SAYS ROOSEVELT.

"Mr. Hughes has unequivocally taken the right position, and as regards all other positions he, and not his opponent, is entitled to the support of both men and women, and therefore the women in the enfranchised states who do not in this election support him forfeit the right to say they have done their utmost for their sisters in the non-enfranchised states."—From a letter of Theodore Roosevelt to Miss Alice Carpenter.

Need of Constructive Legislation.

Just before the European war broke out we had a million skilled mechanics out of work and nearly half a million railroad men were idle, together with nearly half a million freight cars. The railroads were suffering from lack of freight to carry to market, and industry was gradually becoming stagnant. In Louisiana two hundred thousand acres of sugar land were plowed up because of Democratic changes in the tariff law. It is generally conceded by all save the blind that the country was not progressing. Attempts were made to keep courage up by the predictions made by Secretaries McAdoo and Redfield and President Wilson of the great trade booms which were soon to appear but which failed to materialize until the outbreak of war on the continent.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Two futile invasions of Mexico and six separate and distinct policies on the question of permitting arms and ammunition to be sent into that country are included in the performance of the Wilson administration in its dealings with our southern neighbors in less than three years. It is this characteristic instability of the government that makes people want a change.

When Charles E. Hughes said: "The dealings of the administration with Mexico constitute a confused chapter of blunders," he gave an explicit characterization of the Wilson administration's policy in one sentence.

Just as it is now obstinately shutting its eyes to the need of industrial preparedness, for three years the Wilson administration refused to see the need of adequate military preparedness. With war on our southern border it was content to rely on a regular army that could only muster 40,000 available men and refused to continue the established policy of building up our navy. When the time came for action, the country had not sufficient troops to police the border and this force has been supplemented by a trifle more than one third the war strength of the national guard. If the national administration had had the ability to interpret the signs of the time military preparedness would have been well under way instead of barely begun.

Charles E. Hughes, the Republican candidate, recognizes an important fact that Woodrow Wilson, the Democratic president, appears to have overlooked—that the United States is big enough to help Mexico out of the condition of anarchy in which that country is plunged and, by securing order in Mexico, insure peace on our border.

The insuperable handicap of the Democratic party in this campaign is its record.

If the Democratic national administration had left on the statute books in 1894 the federal corrupt practices act placed there by the Republicans there would be no occasion for the present administration's campaign publicity measure which, at best, is a very poor substitute for the law repealed.

President Wilson's campaign managers are entitled to all the comfort they can get out of calling the roll of Progressives who are going to vote for him. It would be an endless task to call the roll of Progressives who are not going to vote him.

For every reason that can be advanced why Progressives should vote for Wilson, ten can be advanced why they should vote for Hughes and the beauty of it is that they know the reasons without having to be told.

The Wilson administration went in to Mexico to punish Villa for his outrage on American soil. The only punishment inflicted has been on American soldiers who were shot down at Carrizal by order of First Chief Carranza.

HOTELS CLOSED BY "DRY" LAWS

Financial ruin is faced by the hotels of Manitoba, Canada, as a result of the prohibition law of that province according to the following dispatch from Winnipeg to the Minneapolis Tribune:

The economic distress of the hotel trade of Manitoba, after one month's experience with prohibition, is strikingly illustrated by the closing of a large number of places and by requests for relief of some character by those remaining open.

A conference of the representatives of the government, Commercial Travelers' association, the Social Service council and the Hotel Men's league has been arranged to see what can be done in the interest of public accommodation.

CHIEF FINDS REAL SALOON

TOPEKA DRY CLEANER HAD CAFE WITH BARTENDER AND GLASS

PARSONS, SHERLOCK

"There Is Nothing of Special Interest" in Trying a Bootlegger, Says Capper's Paper—It's a Daily Occurrence in Kansas Police Court

A real saloon, with a bartender and glass has been discovered by the Topeka (Kan.) police. The Topeka Capital, Governor Capper's paper, recited the story of the discovery:

What promised to be one of the most interesting police court liquor trials in several years was postponed recently. A. W. Vogel, proprietor of the Vogel cleaning establishment at the northeast corner of Tenth and Kansas avenue, and James Richardson, employed there, were scheduled for trial for running a joint. The alleged joint is in the building owned by Gottlieb Noller, arrested on a liquor warrant the day before the Vogel place was raided.

There is nothing of special interest in trying a person in police court for selling liquor. Scarcely a session of police court goes by without such a trial. The interest in Vogel centers in the fact that he conducted a place where liquor could be purchased, not by the bottle, but by the drink, according to Harvey Parsons, chief of police.

Liquor Sold By the Drink. "Detective Thomas Morgan and myself, when we went to the place, found a very nice layout where a customer could step up, lay down his money, pour a drink of whiskey from a bottle to a glass of regulation saloon size and toss it down," said Parsons.

"We found a copper water cooler. Near it sat a whiskey glass and inside the water cooler was a bottle of whiskey. A young fellow, supposedly waiting to have a pair of trousers pressed, sat with a half-empty bottle of beer before him when we entered."

When the officers entered the place Vogel retreated out the back door. He had nearly reached the corner of the building, with every indication of preparing to take to his heels, when Chief Parsons commanded him to halt. The chief thinks that other persons preceded Vogel. Clothes hanging in the room were flapping as though they had been stirred by a breeze. No wind was blowing, and the chief thinks the stir was caused by a rapid exit of patrons.

Wrapped Up For Auto Trade. Almost a full case of whiskey in half-pint bottles was found in the place, and a full case was found in Vogel's residence on Douthitt avenue. The bottles, however, were not wrapped in the customary way to be shipped by express. They were bound in burlap in a manner convenient for carrying in an automobile.

Richardson, it is charged by the police, acted as bartender for Vogel. The trial was postponed yesterday because the city wished time in which to produce more evidence.

"I think we should set aside a day for the trial of Noller, Vogel and Richardson, when other cases will not demand the time of the court," suggested Paul Heinz, assistant city attorney, to Judge Robert Yates. The trial is set for Thursday.

POLITICAL JOTTINGS

At that, however, from beginning to end this has been more of a "you kick me and I'll kick you" administration.

Vance McCordale says the Progressives are stampeding to Wilson, and it's a ten to one bet he wishes he could believe it.

The Democrats are finding out that pork comes home to roost on their standing.

The men and women who prefer a man who does things to a man who writes notes about them will vote for Hughes. Government by correspondence takes too long to get anywhere, but government by deeds is always on the job.

Those who are concerned to know what Mr. Hughes would have done had he been in Mr. Wilson's place may rest assured he would not have done as Mr. Wilson has. And that is answer enough.

Mr. Hughes is not only going direct to the public, but the public is going direct to him. A genuine American fifty-fifty!

President Wilson's alarm clock is ringing at 5 o'clock these mornings. He can reach out of bed and turn it off the morning of March 5.

Postmaster General Burleson is too foxy a politician to adopt for his department the McAdoo rule forbidding Treasury department employees participating in politics. Mr. Burleson realizes that postmasters are entitled to some exercise for the money.

There are no strings or mental reservations to the public pledges of administrative reform given by Charles E. Hughes. His record as governor of New York guarantees the fulfillment of every promise.

Democrats are now convinced that Charles Evans Hughes is a warm proposition.

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This was the greatest session the Grand Chapter ever held. Peace and harmony prevailed. W. L. Waid was unanimously elected as G. W. P. This was a splendid recognition of the ability and progressive spirit of the executive head of the organization.

Under the leadership of Mr. Waid and Mrs. Talliferro the G. W. M. this Grand Chapter bids fair to take the lead of all others in the United States of America. Much can be said in praise of the other officers, but space will not permit it.

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Negro Democrats have a hard row to hoe when all of us can vote and that we will do in November.

Holy rollers on the north side of town, the Seven Day Adventists on the south side and the regulars between them. They should have the devil on the jump.

They say Oklahoma had a big place in the Kansas City parade and Muskogee was "IT."

John D. Epps is the colored lawyer at Eufaula, a bright, able young man who should have the support of the people.

Every citizen regardless of color, race or creed, can vote next November. The men who attempt the disfranchising act will catch H—.

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